



# FootNotes



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## Directors Notes

We want to welcome all our guests this evening, and invite each one of you to enjoy an evening of great singing and great fellowship. Our hobby has the distinction of being challenging enough to keep us coming back every week with the joy of our accomplishments. We hope you'll see why we are so excited about a cappella singing — it's something everyone can do — young and old, and in between. And it's a means of reaching out to others in happy times and sad, in difficult times and glad. We entertain huge crowds at Van Wezel, but we also sing at the bedside of ailing loved ones, and bring love notes to sweethearts on Valentine's Day. We inspire, we encourage, we bring laughter to some, and we move others to tears. It's a wonderful hobby and we hope you'll be inspired to join us — we'd be thrilled to have you.

While we've been basking in the success of our annual shows at Van Wezel and preparing our strategy for our upcoming contest in Jacksonville in May, we've had some very sad news this week as well. On Saturday, March 10th, around 1:00 am, Millie Bennett, (Father Gerry Bennett's dear wife) suffered a massive heart attack and passed away, and on Saturday evening, our dear friend and brother-in-harmony, Norm Keadle, passed away, ending his lengthy struggle with pain and suffering. As a chorus, we want to support Father Gerry and his family, and honor Norm Keadle's memory by participating in their Memorial Services on Wednesday and Thursday, respectively. Please check the details elsewhere in this bulletin, and plan to be there in support of these families who are going through this difficult time. It is a very meaningful way of expressing our love and appreciation for those we've lost, while ministering comfort to their loved ones.

We've now got two weeks to bring our contest songs up to standard in preparation for our coaching session with Don Clause on Saturday, March 24. Let's do everything it takes to be ready for this session and get on track for our first contest appearance since our District Championship in 2004. We've got a new look (sharp black tuxes and royal blue accessories — WOW!) and a new sound — lots of new members and folks joining us for contest

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## Calendar

- March 14: Memorial for Millie Bennett, Church of the Nativity, Lockwood Ridge Rd. 10 am. Meet at 9:30 am.
- March 15: Memorial for Norm Keadle, Church of the Palms, Bee Ridge Rd. 3:00 pm. Meet at 2:30 pm.
- March 15: Lunch Bunch at Anna Maria Oyster Bar, Ellenton. US 301 west of I-75. 11:30 am.
- March 19: Board Meeting — see Gary Raulerson.
- March 24: Coaching session with Don Clause. 9 am
- May 4-6: Sunshine Dist. Convention Jacksonville.
- Aug. 12: Inspirational Concert at Church of the Palms, Bee Ridge, Sarasota.

### ANNUAL CHORUS SHOW VIDEO ORDERS

Orders for videos of the annual show will be taken at the rear table during the month of March chapter meetings.

CDs are \$20 each and VHS tapes are \$15 each. Sign up will start on Tuesday, March 6th and money will be collected starting on March 13th. Which is our guest night.

The 'Video Guy' is located on Bougainvillea St. one block north of the traffic circle at Siesta Drive and Tuttle. He works at several of the Wolf Camera stores and by arrangement, the videos could be picked up at one of the stores.

The Annual Show Video Chairman will receive a free video.

Contact Gary Raulerson or Erd Dahl

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for the first time — so let's go for it.

Again, let's show the Sunshine District what we're made of.

Onward and Upward!

Stephen

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

### Member

None for this week

### And Spouse

3-13 Margaret Schlicht, Walt

3-17 Patricia Carter, Lloyd

3-18 Alice Sapareto, Frank

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

None this week

### MARCH LUNCH BUNCH

March 15, Thursday; 11:30 am for our monthly get-together, this time at **ANNA MARIA OYSTER BAR**, located in Ellenton, off Hwy 301, **west** of I-75 near the Crab Shack 2 near the service area.

Come dressed for Norm Keadle's Memorial which is immediately afterward. Church of the Palms on Bee Ridge Rd.

Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.

### MEETING NIGHT AFTERGLOW

Everyone is Welcome..... to attend our weekly "Afterglow" immediately following the meeting on Tuesday nights. You're invited to wet your whistle, sing songs with the guys, chat with our Director and get a bite to eat in the mall alcove at Applebee's Restaurant on Main Street just a few blocks east of our meeting hall on the corner of the movie theater parking garage. Park along Main Street or pull into the parking garage (it's free at that time of night) and come and ring some chords from 9:45 pm until.....? See you there!

### News & Views for the FootNotes

should be sent to the editor

<kfrohrs@yahoo.com> by **Noon Monday.**

## Sunshine News

"No one knows what it is that he can do — until he tries" Publilius Syrus

Leo Mailhote: Will be going north at the end of March. Hopes to get to a meeting before then.

Bob Ellems: Fell again, is back in the hospital.

Ed Moran: Being treated for a cancer in his eye. Will not have to go to Miami for an operation.

Dolores Joyce, Walt: Fell off a ladder, is doing well.

George Spidy: Is 92 & failing will be returning to Canada this week. A card will be most welcome.

SunShine Chair—Ed Manville **941-346-8219** or  
<hiedm3@comcast.net>

### CARE OF THE NEW UNIFORMS

The new tux jackets should **always** be dry cleaned—**never washed**. The new formal trousers may be washed, but **should** really be dry cleaned. It is urged that they be dry cleaned only. The vest should **never** be washed: **must** be dry cleaned when soiled. **ALL PIECES, AFTER EACH SHOW.**

In case you haven't noticed, there is an extra button on the inside pocket of the tux jacket. It is suggested that it be removed to a safe storage place. **Please remember where you store it!!!!**

Each vest has an extra button sewed to the inside lining, It will probably be safer if you remove it & put it with the jacket button.

Thank you for your cooperation, Jack Webber

### LEGACY FUND NEWS

As of February 19, 2007

Pledges from 75 Members- \$16,905

Pledges from Patrons in 2006- \$1,705

TOTAL PLEDGES- \$18,610

Received in cash from members- 12,300

Received in cash from Patrons- \$1,705

TOTAL CASH RECEIVED- \$14,005

Grateful thanks to all— Erd Dahl